



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Application of: Laura Gillim-Ross *et al.*

Serial No.: 10/699,936

Group No.: 1648

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Examiner: Mosher, M.E.

Entitled:

**COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR DETECTING SEVERE
ACUTE RESPIRATORY SYNDROME CORONAVIRUS**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
MAILED APRIL 4, 2005**

MS Amendment

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Dear Madam:

In response to the Office Action of April 4, 2005, Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, without traverse. A petition for a two-month extension of time is attached, thereby extending the period for reply to July 4, 2005. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith, and the following:

Amendments to the claims reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2; and
Remarks and arguments provided on page 8 of this communication.